AWBA NEWSLETTER

Issue Number 10 August 2002

AWBA Agreements Executed

On July 1, 2002, two agreements between the AWBA and CAWCD were executed. The agreements were an agreement for delivery of excess CAP water to the AWBA and a master water storage agreement for AWBA storage at CAP operated storage facilities. Also on July 1, 2002, the intergovernmental agreement among the AWBA, CAWCD and the ADWR was executed. This agreement guides the interaction and provision of services between the three entities.

The AWBA also executed new agreements for water storage at eight groundwater savings facilities.

News from CAP

- The CAWCD Board approved the final 2003 water delivery rates at their June 20, 2002 meeting. The firm rate for AWBA intrastate deliveries is \$54 per acre foot, a \$1 decrease from the 2002 rate. The AWBA interstate rate will be \$144 per acre foot. At the same time, the CAWCD Board reviewed the 2002 interstate rate and decreased it from \$189 to \$146 per acre foot. This change was due to a decrease in the pumping energy rate component of the rate. The rate was reviewed in anticipation of 40,000 acre feet of interstate water banking deliveries in 2002.
- Also at the June meeting, the CAWCD Board narrowly passed a resolution to deposit the 4¢ ad valorem tax revenues in the Arizona Water Banking Fund for use by the AWBA. Pursuant to statute, the Board must resolve annually to use the funds for CAP or distribute them to the AWBA.
- Early forecasts of water deliveries for 2003 have been completed. The projections show that continuing drought in Arizona will result in increased direct deliveries of CAP water. Full utilization of the CAP is one of the state's primary objectives, however, increased direct deliveries means less water available for use by the AWBA. The actual amount of water available to the AWBA is unknown and will be determined as CAP firms up their 2003 water delivery forecasts.

AWBA Water Deliveries

2002 DELIVERIES (by Month) Planned vs. Actual



May and June Water Deliveries

Projected Deliveries (thru June)		163,231 AF
Total Deliveries (thru June)		145,297 AF
Tucson AMA	<u>5,958 AF</u> 35,098 AF	3,840 AF 25,891 AF
Pinal AMA	15,177 AF	13,000 AF
Phoenix AMA	13,963 AF	9,051 AF
	MAY	<u>JUNE</u>

Storage Facilities Inventory Update

The AWBA is in the process of updating the original Storage Facilities Inventory completed in March, 1997. Pursuant to statute, the inventory must be updated every five years. AWBA staff have met internally with ADWR and CAWCD staff in developing the inventory update. A draft of the document will be available for public review and comment in late August or early September. It is anticipated that a public meeting regarding the inventory will be scheduled for early to mid-September.

Work Shop Scheduled

A public workshop to re-evaluate the issues surrounding Interstate water banking has been scheduled per the request of the AWBA members. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2002 from 10:00 a.m. until noon in the third floor conference rooms (A&B) at the Arizona Department of Water Resources.

On June 19, 2002, the AWBA adopted the 2001 Annual Report and Ten Year Plan (2003-2012) as required by statute. The 2001 Annual Report is available on the AWBA web page. Hard copies can be requested by contacting Nan Flores.

Upcoming Authority Meetings

Wednesday, September 18, 2002 from 10:00-12:00 at ADWR Conference Rooms A& B.

Wednesday, December 18, 2002 from 10:00-12:00 at ADWR Conference Rooms A& B.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR, AGAIN!

AWBA staff are updating the e-mail and regular mailing lists. If you've had a change in your e-mail or regular address in the last year, please update your information. You can contact Nan Flores or complete the mailing list form located on the web page.

Arizona Water Banking Authority

500 North Third Street Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Web Page

Web Page
www.awba.state.az.us

E-mail
tjhenley@adwr.state.az.us
glwildeman@adwr.state.az.us
safabritz@adwr.state.az.us

TEL: 602-417-2418 FAX: 602-417-2401

ARIZONA WATER BANKING AUTHORITY

500 North Third Street Phoenix, Arizona 85004